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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

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SUBJECT: [] Program

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1. [] and I discussed the fact that he was going to sign the lease for the Facility today (16 July), and that he should look into what [] was proposing for [] and several other mundane matters.

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2. [] said he had been talking recently with [] at [] about P-11 satellites. He mentioned parenthetically that he was aware of the Agency's interest in a synchronous satellite. I made no response.

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3. [] continued by saying that the U. S. certainly had the means for a super [] program. After a bit of very broad generalization the question came up as to whether or not I had a "K" clearance. I said if I did I wasn't aware of it. [] then indicated that Aviation Week had the story pretty straight anyway and it turned out what he was talking about was use of A-11 aircraft as a probe.

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4. [] sketched a plan whereby 3 P-11 satellites spaced 120 degrees apart in polar orbit would make north/south passes across the Soviet Union progressing say East to West but with 500 miles spacing between each trace at intervals of 30 minutes. The A-11 could fly diagonally across the Soviet Union stimulating the defense networks while the P-11s gathered the resulting ELINT data. He speculated the radars of interest may include TOKEN, TALL KING, SPOONREST.

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5. I touched lightly again on the K clearance business and [] believes it is []

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6. At this point we discussed what should happen on []
and I indicated mild unhappiness at the prospects of spending
[] for what should be a 25 lb package.

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7. As he was leaving [] said he had to go see a []
[] in NRO regarding TK facility clearance for
[] so they could work with [] on the program he had
described.

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8. Looks like NRO may be putting an Air Force 'arrow' to the
overhead recon 'bow.'

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